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IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph beginning at line 1 of page 1 as follows:

This is <u>a continuation-in-part</u> of SN 10/287,881, now abandoned. This invention relates to a quick connector, particularly to one possible to quickly combine a tube by inserting and pulling out without scarring an outer surface of the tube for liquid to flow or leak through.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at line 24 of page 6 as follows:

The body 4 is made integral, having male threads 40, a center through hole 41 for liquid to flow through, a constrictor groove 42 provided with an innermost wall 420, an intermediate annular straight wall 421 and an outer annular sloped wall 422 orderly formed in the center through hole 41, and an O-shaped ring 43 placed between the innermost wall 420 and the straight wall 421 for preventing liquid from leaking and loosening the tube 6 from the tube constrictor 3 5.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at line 24 of page 6 as follows:

The tube constrictor 5 is made integral, as shown in FIGS. 8 and 9, positioned in the constrictor groove 42 and having a flange 50 located outside the body 4, a center hole 51 for a tube 6 to extend therein, a plurality of elastic petals 52 spaced apart equidistantly with gaps 53 and extending down from the flange 50. Therefore, the petals 53 52 have respectively some resilience to expand and shrink, a front curved wall 520, a pointed tip 521 formed at two sides thereof, and a clamp member 522 formed on an inner lower portion thereof. The inner diameter D1 of each clamp member 522 is shorter than that D2 of the hole 51, and the angle of each clamp member 522 is smaller than 80 degrees. As the inner diameter D1 is shorter than the outer diameter of the tube 6, and the angle theta, of the clamp member 522 is smaller than 80 degrees, the tube constrictor 5 has constricting force against the outer surface of the tube 6.

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Please amend the paragraph beginning at line 22 of page 7 as follows:

In using, a tube 6 is inserted in the center hole 51 of the tube constrictor 5, as shown in FIG. 6, for a proper length, and meanwhile the clamp members 522 of the petals 52 can push against the outer surface of the tube 6. As the clamp members 522 has its surface shaped to conform to the outer surface of a tube 6, they can contact the outer surface of the tube 6 in a large dimension so that the tube 6 is not easily pulled out. Further, the tube constrictor 5 is made of plastic with no rigid hardness, so it cannot scar the outer surface of the tube 6, enabling the tube 6 repeatedly usable. When the tube 6 is kept inserted in the tube constrictor 5, not pulled out, the innermest front curved wall 520 is pushed by the sloped wall 422 of the body 4 so that the petals 52 of the tube constrictor 5 may more tightly urge the tube 6, which is then not easily pulled out.